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5,574,965	November 12, 1996	Welmer

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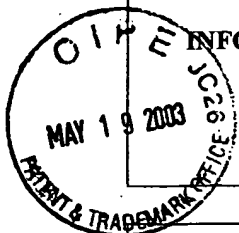
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